A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, January 7, 2019, in the Village Board Room.

Before calling the meeting to order, President Rod Randall took time to honor the life of Bob Doan. President Randall noted the passing of Bob Doan is an enormous loss to this community and creates a void in our economic development process that will be difficult to fill. Bob represented and served this community in such a positive way, and he will be greatly missed. During the meeting, the Trustees also offered their condolences and have heard from many community members about the impact Bob Doan has had on Arthur. Grant Corum, Christy Miller, and Kenny Crossman also added their sympathy to the Doan family, saying they enjoyed working alongside Bob.

Village President Rod Randall called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Mike Hilgenberg, Justin Ray, Jenni Marner, Dave Tiffan, and Paul Pearce. Trustee Matt Bernius was absent.

## Pledge of Allegiance

President Randall led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Public Comment**

Visitors present were Christy Miller and Jeff Borntreger. Jeff Borntreger addressed the Board about a concern regarding storm water run-off in the Surrey Lane subdivision. The Southwest side of the vacant lot behind the hotel tends to fill up from the surrounding area, then enters the backyards of those living on the east side of Surrey Lane. Jeff brought pictures from various rain storms over the past years. Jeff noted the water can't get to the main ditch. Grant Corum suggested that Mike Sullivan look at the area and provide suggestions.

# **Approval of Minutes**

M. Hilgenberg made a motion to approve the Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes of December 17, 2018. J. Marner seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

# Approval of Expenditures

P. Pearce made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$35,647.84. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

# Village President Comments and Announcements

President Randall read a thank you note from the family of Rosemary Elsberry for the flowers sent by the Board. Thank you notes were also received from Cheryl Harlin and the Public Works department for Christmas bonuses.

#### Trustees' Reports

 P. Pearce put together a document requesting information and suggestions from banks regarding investment opportunities.

#### **Chief of Police Report**

Police Chief Goodman provided monthly reports from the Police Department. He also provided a comparison report covering the past twenty years of calls and cases. Chief Goodman and Shaun Meredith provided ALICE training for the staff of the ALAH school district. He noted that a new law is in effect mandating active shooter training for all school districts.

## Public Works Supervisor's Report

• Grant Corum provided monthly reports from the Public Works department.

# Village Attorney's Report

Village Attorney Kenny Crossman had no report.

## **Tourism Director's Report**

Tourism Director Christy Miller reported that the Welcome Center improvements are ready to begin. The Welcome Center will be closed the week of January 14, 2019. The bathroom tile will be cleaned and sealed. New carpet will be installed.

# **Unfinished Business**

M. Hilgenberg made a motion to enter into an Easement Agreement with Henry D. Herschberger to allow the Village of Arthur to run a sewer main across Herschberger's property (Parcel Identification #: 03-03-24-000-411). J. Ray seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

#### **New Business**

- Kenny Crossman explained that the Farnsworth Group and IEPA requested a certification of water and sewer rates. P. Pearce made a motion to accept Ordinance 01-07A-2019: An ordinance certifying the Water and Sewer Rates for the IEPA loan. J. Ray seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- Grant Corum explained the Waterly reporting application. Discussion took place on the benefits and necessity of this program. M. Hilgenberg made a motion to purchase Waterly (water treatment plant reporting application) with an annual subscription cost of \$900.00. J. Ray seconded. Trustees Hilgenberg, Ray, Marner, and Tiffan voted YEA. Trustee Pearce voted NO. Motion carried.

# **General Discussion**

J. Ray presented a document for the Board to review and offer feedback on regarding vacation for personnel. Action will be taken at a later meeting.

M. Hilgenberg made a motion to adjourn. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. President Randall adjourned the meeting at 7:54pm.

**APPROVED** Village President

1-21-19